

London

QUEEN STARTS JEWEL FASHION

Italy's Monarch Creates Sensation by Wearing Coral Instead of Pearls.

NO SLIGHT TO DOWAGER

Two American Women Star in Entertainment Given by British Ambassador's Wife.

Special Cable to The Washington Herald.

Rome, Feb. 7.—The sensation created by Queen Elena at the first court ball of the year by wearing a collar composed of six strings of red corals has not yet subsided. It appears that in discarding her pearls the Queen meant no slight to her mother-in-law, the Dowager Queen Margherite, whose fondness for pearls is well known, but she was, instead, bent upon setting a new fashion in order to help the coral industry.

Some time ago a number of coral merchants wrote to the Queen informing her of the actual condition of the coral industry of Italy and asking her to take it under her patronage. As was to be expected, the Queen immediately ordered a handsome coral collar and also had inserted a number of corals in her tiara. The combination of corals and diamonds proved most artistic and the result was that every court lady has imitated the Queen's example and ordered coral jewels.

Lull in Society.

Following the court ball Monday there was a lull in social activity this week. The King and Queen, who for a few days preceding the ball were kept busy receiving those who had been invited for the first time, including many prominent Americans, left Wednesday to rest in their summer residence near Pisa. They will return to Rome for the opening of Parliament.

Two Americans, Countess Delfino, formerly Georgiana Wild, of St. Louis, and Mrs. Courtney Stuart, nee Story, of New York, figured prominently in the second entertainment by Lady Rodd at the British Embassy.

The countess played the heroine's role in a one-act comedy by Deffers and Callavet entitled "Hearts and Heresies" and revealed herself as a consummate actress. She was highly complimented upon her faultless French and her dramatic accomplishments. She said to the correspondent of The Washington Herald that the stage was always a great fascination for her, and that she had begun to recite at private entertainments when hardly out of her teens.

American Woman Stars.

Mrs. Stewart played a prominent part in a new entertainment just introduced into Roman society by Lady Rodd. It is called "Chinese Shadows" and consists of throwing against a white screen in a semi-dark room the shadow of a person, in amusing and grotesque positions.

The task of reviving the old-time Roman carnival this year has been entrusted to local newspaper organizations, whose members are planning a series of gigantic entertainments. A feature of one of the balls will be the selection of the "first woman deputy to the Italian Parliament."

The spring racing season opened Sunday at Parioli. Between now and April 25, when it closes, twenty races will be run and the number of horses entered is larger than ever.

Gives Dinner Party.

Mrs. Nelson Gay gave a dinner Thursday at her apartment in Orsini Palace. Her guests included the British Ambassador and Lady Rodd, Countess Delfino, Capt. White, of the American Embassy; Mrs. Lee, the Spanish Ambassador, Derobian and others.

Alfred Lee, Hampden, the Boston tenor, now in Naples passing the winter, gave a dinner this week to a number of American friends, including Mrs. Caroline Floyd, Frederick Chamberlain, of Boston, and H. Thompson, the English novelist. One hundred and twenty Americans who landed at Naples from the Adriatic, have arrived here on route to Alexandria and will soon be joined by the liner Franco's contingent.

Mrs. and Miss Boettler and Mr. and Mrs. A. Boettler, of New York, are at the Bristol for a week's sightseeing. Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Brooke, of Washington, are at the Grand. Mrs. Roberts, of Morristown, N. J.; Dr. Donald R. Cragin, of Boston; Mr. and Mrs. J. Wallick, of Boston; Mrs. Abram Sharp, of Washington, Mr. and Mrs. Mason Hill, of Chicago, are in Venice.

ARMY OFFICER IN CAIRO.

Lieut. Shepherd and Wife Traveling Through East.

Special Cable to The Washington Herald. Cairo, Feb. 7.—Lieut. Chester Ames Shepherd, U. S. A., wife and two children, are staying at Shepherd's Hotel. After garrison work in the Philippines the Shepherds traveled through Japan, China, and India. He declares there is no country he likes so much as Egypt. Lieut. Shepherd declares that with sanitary improvements introduced by Americans, there are now no epidemics in the Philippines. Tragedy has been restored to the main islands he says, but fighting occurs occasionally in the smaller southern islands.

TALKS ON "BIG BUSINESS."

Charles Ferguson Addresses International Law Society in Berlin.

Special Cable to The Washington Herald. Berlin, Feb. 7.—Before the International Society for the Comparative Study of Law an address was delivered Monday by Charles Ferguson, of New York, on "Big Business."

He discussed the larger aspects of big business problems, dealing with the subject along philosophical lines. The address was delivered by invitation of the society in the chamber of the Prussian House of Lords; Vice President Dove, of the Reichstag, and a number of prominent jurists attending.

EXILES TO CELEBRATE.

American Colony in Berlin Will Observe Washington's Birthday.

Special Cable to The Washington Herald. Berlin, Feb. 7.—The American colony will hold its usual Washington's Birthday celebration this year, on February 22, however, as the actual birthday falls on a Sunday. Ambassador Gerard has agreed to preside. The other speakers will be Consul General Skinner and Prof. Sherry, of Chicago. Dinner will be followed by dancing.

Queen Mary Gracious To American Women

WAGE TYPEWRITER WAR.

Americans and Germans in Merry Battle.

Berlin, Feb. 7.—American typewriting firms engaged in business in Germany have asked the American Association of Commerce to join them in protest against the action of the German government in arbitrarily excluding machines of American make from use in the different ministries.

The government's action was taken in response to agitation conducted for some months by German typewriter firms, which strongly resent the fact that several of the most important government departments have shown a decided preference for American machines over those of domestic make. Matters reached a climax some months ago when the German admiralty ordered a large consignment of typewriters from the United States.

KING COUNTENANCES LONDON BOHEMIANISM

Reception to Aviator and Actors Indicates "Loop-the-Loops" Have Found Favor.

AMERICANS IN FAST COMPANY

Special Cable to The Washington Herald.

London, Feb. 7.—King George's friendly reception of Gustav Hamel, the aviator, and Jerald du Maurier's company of players at luncheon, dinner, and supper is regarded as a significant intimation from the throne that the growing Bohemianism of London meets with the King's favor. In this attitude he is emulating his popular father, the late King Edward VII.

So many Americans are involved in this breaking away from dull conservatism that the King's recently revealed policy is construed as an indication of sympathy with the very set which recently has been turning things topsy turvy, speaking from a social angle.

This set, known as "loop-the-loops," consists of the Earl and Countess of Portlinton, the Earl and Countess Droughda, Miss Maxine Elliott, Gustav Hamel, Miss Dore, of New York; Miss Muriel Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Grahame-White, the latter an American; Mrs. Hall Walker, Lady Diana Manners, Sir Herbert and Lady Tree, and Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Moon.

William Astor Chanler Improved.

Special Cable to The Washington Herald. Paris, Feb. 7.—William Astor Chanler, of New York, who was seriously injured in an automobile accident in the month of December, is now on the road to recovery. The doctors expect to allow him to go to the Riviera shortly.

ITALY IS PEEVED AT GUDE BOOKS

Complains of Misleading Information by "Biased Persons."

TO IMPROVE FACILITIES

Rich Tourists Leave an Average of 600,000,000 Francs in the "Sunny Land."

Special Cable to The Washington Herald.

Rome, Feb. 7.—A little storm in a tea cup has been raised over the inaccuracies and "defamatory and unwarranted" statements which have been inserted in so many of the Italian guide books, written by "superficial and biased persons." The result is the government has been urged to suppress or recall these misleading guide books.

Even Baedeker, as well as the Johann and Hare guides have not been exempt from this scathing criticism from infuriated Italian writers. Herr Baedeker, at the time his firm was under fire of criticism, promised to have the "libelous matter" inquired into, and if found wrong to be corrected without delay.

At the same time a movement has been started to improve tourist facilities. Visitors are on the increase yearly and nothing has been done until now, either by the government or those who directly benefit thereby, to help make the sojourn of tourists pleasant. The new movement is specially directed against the tendency now prevailing that the foreign visitor to Italy should be regarded rather as an object of prey than as a friend come to visit the country and who, if treated with courtesy, will come again.

Signor Luigi Picarelli, secretary of the tourist office, said that foreign visitors, taken as a whole leave an average of 600,000,000 francs annually behind them. The sum goes a long way toward making up the difference between the import and export trade.

Owing to her large emigration, the poverty of her soil, and other irremediable natural deficiencies Italy is compelled to import from Europe and the United States large quantities of wheat for domestic use, as well as coal, minerals, oils, and other products.

For instance, the deficit on exports as against imports is figured at nearly one billion francs, six hundred million of which are paid by tourists and emigrants whose remittances figure out at no less than 500,000,000. Signor Picarelli said:

"I call on the government here and now to put a stop to this cheating and fleecing of the moneyed foreigner. I am convinced that visitors would appreciate a little more courtesy and less worrying on the part of the customs officials. State railways should be managed not only from the point of view of revenue, but also with a view to rendering traveling more comfortable."

Paris

RODIN TO MOLD STEPS OF TANGO

Famous French Sculptor to Immortalize Dance Now Almost Dead.

MANY BID IT FAREWELL

Decree of Cardinal Archbishop of Paris Sounds Death Knell of Fascinating Walk.

Special Cable to The Washington Herald.

Paris, Feb. 7.—Before it fulfills the general prediction and vanishes by fashion's ukase from European drawing rooms, the tango is to be immortalized in stone by Auguste Rodin.

The world's greatest living sculptor has lately been summoned to attend at the fashionable Sans Souci tango palace, near the Grand Opera House, where he has closely studied the dance and every posture of it. Although he declines to tell his admirers just what particular figure he intends to mold, there is no doubt that his intention is to reproduce the celebrated "dip."

One result of the anti-tango decree of the Cardinal Archbishop of Paris, is that American hostesses in French society, in giving out particulars this week of their various social functions, either lay great stress on the fact that the plain walks held the floor, or simply announce, "there was dancing."

When Mrs. Vaughan Siegel gave a dance this week for the benefit of the Spanish, she called it "our de value," so the guests swept around Mrs. Siegel's salons with French partners to the familiar strains of the famous Merry Widow. The anti-tango decree was so the guests swept around Mrs. Siegel's salons with French partners to the familiar strains of the famous Merry Widow.

Nineteenth century dances also prevailed on the ball room cards the following day, when the Infanta took tea at the Hotel Ritz with Mrs. John Munro, of New York, whose other guests were the Princess de Lyster, formerly Miss Parsons, of Columbus, Ohio; Countess Colledero Mansfield, formerly Miss Nora Bellin, of New York; Mrs. Millech, of New York; and Mrs. Millech, of New York.

The exclusive La Belle Golf Club bade farewell to tango this week at a lively and brilliant dance, at which Prince Rospigliosi, formerly Marie Reid, of New Orleans, and Mrs. Baxter-Tevie were prominent guests.

BUYS STATUE OF RAMESES.

Special Cable to The Washington Herald.

Cairo, Feb. 7.—Much interest has been aroused in archaeological circles here by a gift of \$5,000 by a New York manufacturer toward transporting and erecting the colossal statue of Ramses II, from Badr el Sheen to Bab el Hadid Square, opposite the railway station.

The money was given to Olney Arnold, the American Consul, a few days ago. In correspondence between Mr. Arnold and Lord Kitchener, the English general expresses thanks and says: "It was my original idea to bring the statue into Cairo, but as it was needed I was obliged to abandon the attempt. Now that the fund has been started in so handsome a manner it is safe to assume the other subscriptions will steadily follow."

As a matter of fact, there are two statues of Ramses II—one made of hard limestone and now much dilapidated, which was presented by Mohamed Aly, first viceroy of Egypt to the British nation in 1830, but never claimed, and the other statue made of red granite, bearing a likeness of Ramses' daughter on the right thigh and Ramses' wife on the left thigh. Both statues are ten metres high.

TAKES BRIDE TO MOROCCO.

Prince Ange's Father Reconciled to His Marriage to Countess.

Special Cable to The Washington Herald. Paris, Feb. 7.—Prince Ange, of Denmark, who married a countess secretly on January 12, has just returned from Italy accompanied by his wife, but he soon departs for Morocco, where, with his uncle, the Duke de Guise, he will start farming.

Prince Ange's father, who bitterly opposed the marriage, has now consented to recognize it conditionally. A civil ceremony also will be performed. This has been delayed because the bride's birth certificate was unavailable. She was born in Buenos Aires and as soon as it arrives the mayor of Rome will perform the ceremony.

ITALY TO HAVE SAILOR PRINCE.

Heir-apparent Will Break Old Tradition When He Ascends Throne.

Special Cable to The Washington Herald. Rome, Feb. 7.—Though from time immemorial the Kings of Italy in line of war have assumed the title of commander-in-chief of the army and navy no sailor has ever yet sat on the throne of Italy.

Apparently, this tradition is about to be broken, as the young crown prince has been training under a tutor-Capt. Attilio Bonaldi, of the navy—with a view to his entering the service.

It is known that the young prince has a great leaning for the sea. Miniature dreadnaughts are his favorite toys. It is now said that the King has decided to give him every opportunity of following his inclination, and that he will shortly embark on the cruiser Puglia, commanded by his tutor, for a long cruise in the Mediterranean.

LAWYERS HEALTHIEST, HE SAYS

With Teachers, There Is Safest Calling, Declares French Scientist.

Special Cable to The Washington Herald.

Paris, Feb. 7.—Dr. Jacques Bertillon has come to the conclusion that "lawyers and university professors follow the healthiest occupation among all those engaged in the liberal professions."

Italy Starts Crusade To Protect Tourists

STAGE CAREER CALLS HER



LADY DUFFERIN.

London, Feb. 7.—Next month London will see the debut of Lady Dufferin as a public singer.

The Marchioness of Dufferin, who before her marriage to the Earl of Avon, was Miss Flora Davis, of New York, is said to have a trained voice of a rare soprano quality and enormous power.

To her intimate friends Lady Dufferin is said to have confided her ambition to follow an operatic career, she explained by saying that as she had given up her earlier life to the rearing of three children, and as they no longer required her absolute attention, she felt justified in following her great ambition of becoming a singer.

"PANTALETS" FOR GIRLS.

Brothers and Sisters Can Hardly Be Told Apart Now.

London, Feb. 7.—Soon it will be difficult to distinguish small boys from little girls in the streets, for the latter this winter are adopting trouser-like suits.

Little girls can be seen wearing trouser-like cloth knickerbockers, reefer coats and hats that make them look "just like brother" in their dress.

On a recent cold day some little girls wore blue cloth knickerbockers, high-top shoes and blue sailor coats with brass buttons. They looked very comfortable and bony and wore the new waterproof sou'-wester hats.

"Pantalets" are an innovation for both boys and girls now being sold in London. They are made like tight-fitting trousers and garters all in one, and fit from the feet to the waist.

Over these, which are effectively cut, in cloth, is worn a jersey and a greatcoat, so that the boy and girl are dressed quite alike.

PRISONERS' EYES GOUGED OUT.

Madrid, Feb. 7.—The prisoners' committee has just issued a strong manifesto against the infamous treatment meted out in Spanish prisons to inmates, many of them being there on account of their advanced ideas. The following will give some idea of what is complained of:

"The director of a prison at Figueras, Catalonia, a named named Milena, has had a subterranean dungeon built in order to be able to vent his hatred. This new cell is known as the 'Siberia.' The prisoner who is taken there is bound and beaten until he falls insensible. He is then put into another cell, apart from the others, until his wounds heal, and is made to fast until he is hungry enough to eat the salt codfish given him in order to make him feel the pangs of thirst."

"Recently a prisoner was nailed to a cross, died, and another was kept for a year in a cell without food or water, and was gagged out, third arm broken. Still another had pieces of flesh torn off him."



PRINCESS IRENE OF RUSSIA.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 7.—Considerable interest in court circles is being shown in the approaching marriage of Princess Irene, daughter of the Grand Duke Alexander, and the Grand Duchess Xenia, sister of the Czar, to Count Elton.

The Princess Irene is a beautiful and accomplished young girl, not yet in her twenties, and her betrothal to Count Elton forms an alliance of particularly strong social tendencies. Count Elton has been for many years well known in English society.

Berlin

'MOMIE' DOES NOT UNLOCK SOCIETY

Mme. Grouitch, American Woman, Talks of Elite of England.

TITLE NOT ATTRACTION

Accent Acquired in This Country Is Decided Drawback to Those Desiring Social Entry.

Special Cable to The Washington Herald.

London, Feb. 7.—Real regret is felt in diplomatic circles over the impending departure of the Serbian minister and his American wife, Mrs. Slavko Grouitch, who was Miss Mabel Gordon Dunlap, of West Virginia.

Servia has come to the front during the last few years, especially during the Balkan trouble, and it is no exaggeration to say that at any rate, so far as the Court of St. James is concerned, Mme. Grouitch's personal popularity has been of immense value to her adopted country.

M. Grouitch has been recalled to Belgrade to take up an important government position, but before leaving England, both he and his wife have been the objects of much farewell entertainment.

Dollars Not Everything.

Before leaving London Mme. Grouitch gave her views on "American Women Abroad," a topic on which she should be an authority, for she has had exceptional advantages and opportunities for study of her fellow-countrymen during her residence in London.

"It is often said that it costs a fortune for an American woman to gain an entry in London society," she said. "That is true, but it is not the money that counts. It is the inner circle which revolves London's elite. As a matter of fact, any woman of good breeding and refinement, possessed of a moderately comfortable income, with a few acquaintances, can make her way into the circle."

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"Maybe she has made a name for herself in her own country as a scholar, a writer, or a social leader, or what not. Then she only needs the added virtue of being well bred and refined in order to be eligible for a place in London society."

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Americans Lead Snap.

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"The popularity of American women in London society is steadily growing. English society is not so much a closed circle as it once was. It is a native something that is acquired only in America, and for this reason, if no other, it seems a pity that so many American mothers should lower their children to be educated in Europe."

"After they have gone through school and the university at home, let them come to Europe by all means, for a year or two, but don't let them lose their early American training, which makes them stand out later prominently, different from anyone else."

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"The American woman who has married into European nobility often has been accused of selling herself for the sake of a title. However true that might have been years ago, by today the woman of our country who marries a title from mere ambitious motives is extremely rare. Many women do leave America to become the wives of foreign noblemen, not because it was a disgraceful man who has won a bride, and not because of the ancient name and the title, but because of the admirable qualities of the man himself."

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MRS. HAMMOND JOINS HUSBAND.

Royal Dictation Extended to Her While in Rome.

Special Cable to The Washington Herald.

Rome, Feb. 7.—The departure for Milan, where she will spend a few days with her husband, Mrs. John E. Hammond said that she would be here again next season.

Queen Elena Starts Fashion for Coral

PREDICTS COAL SHORTAGE.

Depew's Nephew Says Europe Is Approaching Fuel Famine.

Special Cable to The Washington Herald. Paris, Feb. 7.—Europe is gradually approaching the crisis, he said, which has been known, according to Mitchell Depew, former Senator Chauncey M. Depew's nephew, who is engaged in importing British coal into France.

Black mine owners are growing more rigid in their refusal to increase exports, even relating the temptation of rising prices," he said today. "They apprehend socialist demonstrations against the present system of private mine ownership."

"Early development of the Russian coal deposits is of first importance. It should be the first step in the great European, but eventually would affect the American market, provided no prohibitive duties were enforced."

AMERICAN WOMEN AT BIG COURT BALL

Carry Off Honors for Dress and Looks at Annual Event in German Capital.

Special Cable to The Washington Herald.

Berlin, Feb. 7.—The same distinguished group of American women whose appearance at the annual court ball Wednesday night. There is no doubt that so far as dress and looks and general appearance are concerned the honors of the present social season have been carried off by America.

The Embassy was represented by Mrs. Gerard, wife of the Ambassador, Mrs. Joseph Grew, wife of the first secretary, and Mrs. Gherardi, and the list of guests included Mrs. Norman Whitehouse, Mrs. Ernest Witte, Mrs. Harry J. Luce, and her daughter Margaret, all of New York; Mrs. Robert K. Cassatt, of Philadelphia, and Mrs. Paul Chery, wife of the exchange professor from Chicago University.

The men of the American contingent included, besides Ambassador Gerard, Secretaries Grew, Willing Spencer, and Capt. Gherardi, and Maj. Langhorne, naval and army attaches, respectively: Prof. Coolidge, of Chicago, and Shorey and Lanier Winslow, of New York.

The list of invitations included also Mr. Cassatt, but he was obliged to leave a few days ago for a flying trip to America. Allison V. Armour, of Chicago, another American whom royal invitations always have been extended when he happened to be in Berlin, which is often, also was away, having left for America a week ago.

Mrs. Whitehouse, Mrs. Witte, and Mrs. Cassatt still are living at the Embassy as guests of the Germans.

Berlin, Feb. 7.—The French costumes and their fashionable slaves are trying to make a snap of it, but for an American newly arrived in London to do like-wise would be impossible.

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MONKEY FUR POPULAR.

Black contrasted with white is very prevalent in visiting gowns in which charmeuse and satin have largely replaced cloth and serge. The warmer tones, such as iron rust, sallow blue, violet so deep that it is almost black, are also much seen. A robe of black charmeuse is simply draped about the legs and is confined by a ribbon of Persian silk figured in green and rose at the waist, to which are added a number of basques of silk tulle bordered with very fine pleats.

At the neck and ends of the sleeves the stuff is reversed and covered with a second embroidery of black and white, harmonizing in color with this garment, and a toque covered with golden beads and bearing bird-of-paradise plumes.

Some smart tailored costumes are of satin or velours de laine. One of the latter color, the shade of which is called pine cone, has the skirt open in front with a second embroidered basque like skirt. The bolero is new in form, ample and straight, taken up at the waist in three pleats and arranged as a border. The outline afforded by this costume is decidedly typical.

Queen Gracious To Americans

English Regent "Thaws Out" Before Women from the States.

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FLOCK TO PARLIAMENT

Session Which Opens This Week Causes Resuscitation of London Social Season.

Special Cable to The Washington Herald.

London, Feb. 7.—King George and his court returned this week to the capital: Parliament opens next week; "Parisian" life in Covent Garden, and with the first drawing room of the season, the social season of the capital is on the busy stage of social affairs.

At this early date it is impossible to prophesy the prospects for the season. Its success or otherwise depends rather on whether people choose to be sociable or not rather than on any "big shows" or functions. Anyhow, the ante-Easter season is always more or less dreary, for the truth is there are many houses